

State Revolving Fund Loan Programs

Drinking Water, Wastewater, Nonpoint Source

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS. ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

Greensburg WW07 01 16 02 Planning and Design for

West Side Interceptor and Lift Station

(Loan Applicant) (SRF Project Number) (Project Title)

Date: September 1, 2006

Deadline for submittal of comments: October 2, 2006

Pursuant to IC 4-4-11, the State Revolving Fund Loan Program (SRF) has determined that the collection system and wastewater treatment plant improvements projects described here will have no substantial negative environmental impact; therefore, the SRF is issuing a preliminary decision of Categorical Exclusion from the requirements of substantive environmental review.

The purpose of this notice is to seek input and comments on SRF's preliminary decision that neither an Environmental Assessment (EA) nor an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required to implement the recommendations discussed in the attached Categorical Exclusion request.

How were environmental issues considered?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies disbursing Federal funds to include environmental factors in the decision making process. A summary of the project is attached for your review. SRF's preliminary review has found that the proposed project does not require the preparation of either an EA or an EIS.

Why is additional environmental review not required?

Our environmental review has concluded that significant environmental impacts will not result from the proposed action.

How do I submit comments?

Any comments supporting or disagreeing with this preliminary decision should be submitted within 30 days of the above issuance date to:

Max Henschen, Senior Environmental Manager SRF Programs IGCN 1275 100 North Senate Ave. Indianapolis, IN 46204

What happens next?

If we do not receive substantive comments during the 30-day comment period which indicate that serious environmental issues exist, SRF's preliminary decision will become final. If the scope of the project changes significantly or if the proposed site is changed, the final notice will be revoked and the project's environmental impacts will be re-evaluated. In such a case, a new Categorical Exclusion may be issued for another 30-day comment period, or the SRF Program will prepare an EA or EIS; we may also reaffirm our earlier decision of Categorical Exclusion by including a reaffirmation memo or letter to the project's State Revolving Fund Loan Program's Official Loan File.